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"An Act authorizing the creation of corporations for the purpose of compiling and of acquiring and owning abstract plants in this or any other State, and to compile and sell abstracts of titles therefrom, and to insure the title to lands and interest therein and liens thereon, and authorizing such corporations to accumulate and lend money, to deal in securities, and to act as trustee, receiver, executor, administrator and guardian, and declaring an emergency,'

Has carefully compared same and find

it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, February 6, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 466, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 691 of the Penal Code of Texas as revised in 1925, so as to allow a search warrant to issue in certain instances upon information and belief of two credible persons, and

declaring an emergency," Has carefully compared same and find

it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, February 6, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 109, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require all persons who teach in the public schools to be American citizens.

Has carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

TWENTY-SECOND DAY.

(Thursday, February 7, 1929.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Barron.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker. Baldwin, Ackerman, Barnett. Adkins. Bateman. Albritton. Beck. Anderson. Bounds. Avis. Bradley. Baker. Brice.

Brooks. Carpenter. Chastain. Coltrin, Conway. Cox of Navarro. Cox of Lamar. Davis. DeWolfe. Dunlap. Duvall. Enderby. Eickenroht. Finlay. Forbes. Fuchs. Gates. Gerron. Gilbert. Giles. Graves of Williamson. Graves of Erath. Hardy. Harding. Harman. Harper. Harrison. Heaton. Hefley. Hines. Hogg. Holder. Hopkins. Hubbard. Jenkins. Johnson of Dimmit. Johnson of Scurry. Jones. Justiss. Kayton. Keeton. Keller. Kemble. Kennedy. Kenyon. Kincaid. King. Kinnear. Land. Lee. Lemens. Long of Houston. Long of Wichita. Loy. Mankin. Martin. Mauritz. Maynard.

McCombs.McDonald.

Mullally. Murphy. Negley. Nicholson. Olsen. O'Neill. Palmer. Patterson. Pavlica. Petsch. Pool. Pope of Jones. Pope of Nueces. Purl. Quinn. Ray. Reader. Reid. Renfro. Richardson. Rogers. Rountree. Sanders. Savage. Shaver. Shelton. Sherrill. Shipman. Simmons. Sinks. Smith. Snelgrove. Speck. Stephens. Storey. Strong. Tarwater. Thompson. Thurmond. Tillotson. Turner. Van Zandt. Veatch. Waddell. Wallace. Warwick. Webb. Westbrook. White. Wiggs. Williams of Travis. Woodall Woodruff. Young.

Absent.

Bond. l Ewing.

McGill.

Hornaday. Stevenson.

Absent—Excused.

Walters. Acker. Williams Cox of Limestone. Finn. of Sabine. Johnson of Smith. Williams Prendergast. of Hardin.

A quorum was announced present. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Prendergast for today, on motion of Mr. Hines.

Mr. Johnson of Smith for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Ende by.

Mr. Williams of Sabine for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Renfro.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of illness:

Mr. Cox of Limestone for today, on motion of Mr. Tarwater.

Mr. Walters for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Forbes.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Kenyon:

H. B. No. 608, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting to cities located in any county of this State of less than 100,000 inhabitants according to the United States census of 1920 and which county contains a city of more than 43,000 inhabitants according to said census the right to execute leases not to exceed a period of ninety-nine years on islands, flats and submerged lands heretofore granted by the State of Texas or the Republic of Texas to such cities."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. McGill:

H. B. No. 609, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing, in counties having a population of more than 100,000 and less than 150,000, and containing a city of more than 75,000 population, the compensation of and providing for the appointment of assistant county attorneys, and prescribing their qualifica | "An Act to amend Article 4629, sub-

tions, and providing for the appointment of a stenographer."

Referred to Committee on Counties.

By Mr. Bradley:

H. B. No. 610, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 7084, 7085, 7086, 7087 and 7090, and to repeal Article 7088, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, so as to provide that franchise taxes shall be based upon the capital stock of corporations actually paid in, plus surplus and undivided profits, as to private, domestic and foreign corporations, as applied to corporations with par value and nonpar value stock, providing for the amount and method of computation of such taxes, time of payment and for reports and affidavits to be made and furnished to the Secretary of State, and the filing fee therefor.'

Referred to Committee on Revenue

and Taxation.

By Mr. Purl and Mr. Morse:

H. B. No. 611, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4891 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 of the State of Texas, and to provide the conditions under which co-insurance clauses may be used in policies of insurance covering losses by fire to property in this State."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Hubbard and Mr. Beck:

H. B. No. 612, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that the Highway Commission shall issue a permit upon the application of any person, firm or corporation to operate over a State highway super-heavy equipment for the transportation of heavy commodities as cannot be reasonably dismantled, where the gross weight exceeds the amount allowed by law to be transported overa State highway; providing for the form of application for a permit."

Referred to Committee on Highways

and Motor Traffic.

By Mr. Metcalfe:

H. B. No. 613, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 1, Article 7496, of the water laws of the State of Texas, to remove restrictions from the right of owners to construct dams and reservoirs on their own land."

Referred to Committee on. Conservation and Reclamation.

By Mr. Keller:

H. B. No. 614, A bill to be entitled

division 4, of Chapter 4, of the 1925 Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to grounds for divorce; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal

Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Reader:

H. B. No. 615, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 1028 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, so as to provide, in addition to purposes for which an ad valorem tax may now be lawfully levied by cities of more than 5000 inhabitants for the purpose of advertising the business, social, educational and recreational advantages, the natural resources and the scenic attractions of such cities, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith; and declaring an emergency.'

Referred to Committee on Revenue

and Taxation.

By Mr. Reader:

H. B. No. 616, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 7048, Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, so as to provide for the levying of an ad valorem tax by counties in addition to the purposes for which such a tax may now be lawfully levied, for the purpose of raising funds to advertise the business, social, educational and recreational advantages, the natural resources and the scenic attractions of such counties, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue

and Taxation.

By Mr. McCombs:

H. B. No. 617, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5522 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, with reference to the extension of liens on real estate; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Long of Wichita:

H. B. No. 618, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the nomination of water improvement districts to serve under the provisions of Chapter 2, Title 128, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith."

Referred to Committee on Conservation and Reclamation.

By Mr. Long of Wichita:

An Act to amend Articles 7677 and stitutional Amendments:

7684, Chapter 2, Title 128, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as follows: Amend Article 7677 by providing that delinquent tax rolls shall be made up on the 31st day of January and 31st day of July of each year; and amending Article 7684 by providing that one-half of all taxes levied under this chapter for the calendar year 1929 and for each calendar year thereafter shall become due on the first day of November of such year."

Referred to Committee on Conserva-

tion and Reclamation.

By Mr. Wallace:

H. B. No. 620, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize H. L. McKee, his heirs, legal representatives and assigns, to construct, maintain and operate a bridge across Lake Sabine at or near Port Arthur, Texas."

Referred to Committee on Public

Lands and Buildings.

By Mr. Quinn:

H. B. No. 621, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that in all suits where land is recovered or retained by virtue of any judgment in such suit, judgment shall be rendered that the person losing title to said premises, recover all taxes legally assessed against said property which have heretofore been paid by him or his grantees; providing for a first lien to secure the payment of same; declaring said act to be cumulative of other statutes; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Purl:

H. B. No. 622, A bill to be entitled "An Act to better define fraternal benefit societies and providing and defining a lodge system for such; requiring a representative form of government; defining and safeguarding the contracts and beneficiaries of such societies, and prescribing the membership therein; amending Articles 4820, 4821, 4822, 4824, 4831 and 4833 of the Revised Statutes of Texas for 1925, so as to conform hereto; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING.

The following House joint resolu-tions, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, H. B. No. 619, A bill to be entitled and referred to the Committee on ConBy Mr. Metcalfe:

H. J. R. No. 18, Proposing an amendment to Section 24 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to fix the compensation and mileage to be paid members of the Legislature; providing for an election on such proposed constitutional amendment, and making an appropriation therefor.

By Mr. Lee:

H. J. R. No. 19, Proposing an amendment to Section 5 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, fixing the terms for convening the Legislature of the State of Texas, providing that the first thirty days thereof shall be devoted to the introduction of bills and resolutions, acting upon emergency appropriations, passing upon confirmation of recess appointees of the Governor and such emergency matters as may be submitted by the Governor in special messages to the Legislature.

By Mr. Beck:

H. J. R. No. 20, Proposing an amendment to Section 48 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the Legislature to provide for compensation of employees of the State for injuries received in performance of their duties as such.

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Coltrin, Senate bill No. 347 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Thurmond, House bill No. 588 was ordered not printed.

BILL RE-REFERRED.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert, House bill No. 492 was withdrawn from the Committee on Revenue and Taxation and referred to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE ORDERED PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Harman, the committee substitute for House bill No. 20 was ordered printed instead of the original bill.

TO COMMEND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, resolution by Mr. Stevenson relating to Federal Agricultural Department, the resolution having heretofore been read second time.

Mr. Metcalfe offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend resolution by inserting word "Federal" before the words "Department of Agriculture or Secretary of Agriculture," wherever they occur.

The amendment was adopted.

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

INVITING CHOIR OF LINCOLN BAPTIST CHURCH TO SING.

Mr. Gates offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Lincoln Baptist Church of this city has a large and well trained choir of singers, well versed in the art of singing the spiritual songs of their race, towit, Afro-American; and

Whereas, Their repertoire is such as to astound the world, and, when rendered, is both edifying and amusing;

Whereas, It has been the custom in the past session to have the choir of said church to render musical selections for the edification and amusement of this House; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Lincoln Baptist Church be invited to send this choir to this hall to render a program for the members of this House and their friends on the night of Thursday, February 14, at 7:30 p. m.

Signed—Gates, Pool, McCombs, Keller. The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

RELATING TO PRINTING OF HOUSE BILLS.

Mr. Purl offered the following resolution:

Whereas. Under the present procedure and present custom the public printer who prints the House bills is designated by the State Board of Control; and

Whereas, It is apparent to this House that for some reason or other, good or bad, the House bills are being printed with a great many typographical errors; and

Whereas, There seems to be no definite system or plan of printing these bills in the order in which they reach the printer; and

Whereas, On numerous occasions bills sent to the printer at a late date are printed before bills that have reached the printer at a prior date; and

Whereas, Common justice as well as the rules of procedure should require that bills be returned to the Speaker of this House in the manner that would permit the Speaker to have same placed on the calendar in an orderly manner; and

Whereas, Under the present system it is impossible to do that; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House appoint a committee to take up with the Board of Control the matter above mentioned and insist that the Board of Control see to it that steps be taken to correct this situation to the end that the House may take up their bills in an orderly manner, and that they insist that a more careful check be made by the printer on typographical errors, and that bills be returned to this House in the order in which they are received by the printer.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

MEMORIALIZING THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE IN REGARD TO A DUTY ON JUTE.

Mr. McDonald offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 14, To memorialize Ways and Means Committee in regard to a duty on jute.

Whereas, There is now pending before the Ways and Means Committee of the Congress of the United States, an appeal on behalf of the cotton growers of this country to place a duty of three cents per pound on imported jute; and

Whereas, If such duty were placed on jute it would require about one hundred and fifty thousand additional bales of cotton a year for cotton bagging instead of jute; and

Whereas, Such a use of cotton instead of jute would increase the returns to the cotton growers approximately one hundred million dollars; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House, the Senate concurring, That we memorialize the Ways and Means Committee of the Congress of the United States, and the Congress of the United States, to place a duty of at least three cents per pound on jute, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded, at once, by the Chief Clerk of the House to the two Texas Senators and to each of the Texas Congressmen.

Signed—McDonald, Montgomery, Wallace.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

NOTICE GIVEN.

Mr. Lemens gave notice that he would, on tomorrow, call up for consideration at that time, Senate concurrent resolution No. 14, relating to Meridian College.

RELATING TO PURCHASING CER-TAIN UNIVERSITY LAND.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 20, Relating to University Land Acquisition Board.

Whereas, The University Land Acquisition Board on or about November 26, 1928, submitted to the Governor of Texas a written report of the work of said Board, under the authority previously conferred by an act of the Legislature, and in said report submitted the request that they be permitted to deliver to the University of Texas the books, records, and the desk used by said Board during its active work in the purchase of property for the University; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House concurring, That said request of the University Land Acquisition Board be granted, and the authority is hereby given to deliver such property to the proper authorities of the University of Texas.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

RELATING TO HOUSE BILL NO. 436.

Mr. Enderby asked unanimous consent of the House to have his name withdrawn from House bill No. 436.

There was no objection offered.

SENATE BILL NO. 18 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 18, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2902, Revised Statutes of 1925, fixing the scholastic age of pupils in the public free schools by reducing the minimum school age to six years, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. McCombs moved the previous question on the passage of the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Senate bill No. 18 was then finally passed by the following vote:

Yeas-92.

Mr. Speaker. McGill. Ackerman. McKean. Adkins. Mehl. Albritton. Metcalfe. Baker. Montgomery. Barnett. Moore. Beck. Morse. Bounds. Mosely. Bradley. Mullally. Brooks. Murphy. Coltrin. Negley. Cox of Navarro. Olsen. Cox of Lamar. O'Neill. Davis. Palmer. DeWolfe. Patterson. Duvall. Pavlica. Forbes. Pool. Gerron. Purl. Gilbert. Quinn. Giles. Reader. Graves Reid. of Williamson. Renfro. Richardson. Graves of Erath. Harding. Rountree. Harman. Sanders. Harper. Savage. Shaver. Heaton. Hines. Shipman. Holder. Simmons. Hubbard. Smith. Johnson Snelgrove. of Dimmit. Stephens. Johnson of Scurry. Strong. Kayton. Tarwater. Keeton. Thurmond. Keller. Turner. Kemble. Van Zandt. Kennedy. Waddell. Kenyon. Wallace. Kincaid. Warwick. King. Webb. Land. White. Wiggs. Williams Lemens. Long of Houston. Loy. of Travis. Woodall. Mauritz. Maynard. Woodruff. Young. McCombs.

Nays—34.

Hopkins. Avis. Baldwin. Jenkins. Bateman. Jones. Brice. Lee. Carpenter. Mankin. Chastain. Martin. Enderby. McDonald. Finlay. Nicholson. Pope of Jones. Pope of Nueces. Fuchs. Gates. Hardy. Ray. Harrison. Rogers. Hefley. Shelton. Sherrill. Hogg.

Sinks. Tillotson.
Speck. Veatch.
Thompson. Westbrook.

Absent.

Anderson.
Bond.
Conway.
Dunlap.
Ewing.
Eickenroht.
Hornaday.
Justiss.
Kinnear.
Long of Wichita.
Minor.
Petsch.
Stevenson.
Storey.

Absent—Excused.

Acker. Walters.
Cox of Limestone. Williams
Finn. of Sabine.
Johnson of Smith. Williams
Prendergast. of Hardin.

Mr. Holder moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 138 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, S. B. No. 138, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the county judge to employ a stenographer or clerk in any county of less than 100,000 inhabitants according to the last United States census, which county contains a city of more than 43,000 inhabitants according to said census; said stenographer to be paid by the county; regulating the salary of such stenographer; providing for his removal, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.
Mr. Kenyon offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend Senate bill No. 138 as follows: By striking out the word "last," in line 16, and adding the following in line 17, between the words "census" and "which," "of nineteen hundred twenty."

(2)

Amend Senate bill No. 138 caption as follows: In line 9 strike out the word "last" and insert in said line, between the word "census" and "which," the following, "of 1920."

The amendments were severally

Senate bill No. 138 was then finally passed,

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills:

S. B. No. 356, "An Act providing for the continuance of the trial of any civil or criminal action or matter in probate, pending in any court of this State while the Legislature is in session, where it appears by affidavit that a party to such cause is a member of the Legislature and is in attendance thereon, or where it appears that an attorney for any party to such an action is a member of the Legislature and is in attendance on a session of the Legislature, and that a fair and proper trial cannot be had in absence of such party or attorney, and providing that where such showing is made by affidavit in any cause same shall be continued until ten days after the adjournment of the Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 175, "An Act to create

County Drainage Cameron District Number Four, in Cameron county, Texas, validating and approving all orders made by the commissioners court of said county in respect to the original organization of said district as a drainage district under Article 3, Section 52, of the Constitution; validating and approving all orders made by the commissioners court of said county in convert-ing said district without change of name or impairment of obligations to a conservation and reclamation district under Section 59 of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas.'

SENATE BILL NO. 395 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 395, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish and create a criminal district court for Jefferson county; to provide for the jurisdiction of and procedure in said court; to provide for the appointment, election, qualification, duties, powers and compensation of a judge of said court; depriving and divesting the district courts of Jefferson county of jurisdiction of all criminal cases; providing from and after the taking effect of this act for the transfer of all criminal cases from the district courts of the Fifty-eighth and Sixtieth Judicial District Courts of Jefferson county to the Criminal District Court of Jefferson county created by this act;

Court of Jefferson county shall be the county attorney, sheriff and clerk of the district court, respectively, of the court created by this act under the same rules and regulations as are now or may hereafter be prescribed by law for the government of such officials; providing for the fees to be received by such officers for such services, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was

passed.

Mr. Quinn moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, February 7, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

I am directed by the Senate to Sir: inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 57, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for increasing the territorial limits of any city of more than five thousand inhabitants which has adopted a charter under Home Rule Amendment, Article 11, Section 5, of the Constitution; providing for annexation of adjacent territory by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the city affected, and of the territory annexed; and providing for the adjustment upon a just and equitable basis of the bonded indebtedness against the territory annexed, which has theretofore been included in any irrigation district or water improvement district or water control and improvement district under any of the provisions of the general laws or the Constitution, and carrying at the time each such adjacent territory is annexed to said city, bonded indebtedness on flat rates due, to the irrigation district, water improvement district or water. control and improvement district, and repealing all laws, general or special, in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 147, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to bills of exception in district and county courts; enacting Article 2237a of Chapter 11, Title 42 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating to practice in the district and county courts; requiring district and county judges to state the qualification of any bill of exception presented by providing that the county attorney, the either party to a suit and place such sheriff and the clerk of the District qualification in the record upon the

trial of the case at the time the exception is reserved; enacting provisions designed to require prompt action on the part of the district or county judge in acting on bills of exception presented to him and outlining the procedure in case such judge does not comply with the statute; providing that this act shall apply to civil and criminal cases; repealing all laws or parts of laws conflicting herewith, and declaring an emergency.

S. B. No. 289, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that the number of days for which compensation is allowed a district attorney shall be based upon the calendar year and not the fiscal year of the State, and declaring an emer-

gency."

S. B. No. 199, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the salary of official shorthand court reporters in judicial districts in counties having two or more full time district courts in addition to transcript fees which such reporters receive under the law, and declaring an

emergency."

S. B. No. 251, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the board of directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas to establish and maintain a horticultural and agricultural experiment station at some point within the limits of Atascosa, Bexar, Dimmit, Frio, La Salle, Maverick, Medina, Uvalde, Webb, or Zavala counties in the State of Texas for the purpose of making scientific investigation and experiment in the production of fruits, citrus fruits, nuts and vegetables and methods of combating insect pests and diseases of said product in the said section and conducting scientific experiments in poultry raising and dairying; authorizing said board of directors to acquire a suitable site therefor, and to accept donations of land and money for said purpose; providing that such experiment station shall be under the general supervision of said board of directors and providing that unless donations of land within said territory with available water for irrigation purposes thereon suitable and sufficient for said experiment station shall not be established, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 294, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining group life insurance; providing that no policy of group life insurance shall be issued or delivered unless and until a copy of the form thereof has been filed with the Life Insurance Commissioner and formally approved by him, stipulating the provisions which must be contained in such offices on the first day of January fol-

policy; providing the manner of paying the proceeds of any such insurance; providing the method of computing the reserves on such policies; prohibiting the issuance of any contract of life insurance covering a group except as provided by the provisions of the act, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 298, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that whenever any person shall procure the issuance of a policy of insurance on his life in any legal reserve life insurance company, and designate in writing the beneficiary to receive the proceeds thereof, the company shall pay any proceeds thereof becoming due on the death of the insured to the person so designated in the absence of a notice in writing of an adverse claim received at the home office of the company, and that any such payments so made in the absence of any such notice received prior to the time of payment shall discharge the company from all liability on the policy; providing that the provisions of this act shall apply to policies now in existence, as well as to all policies hereafter written, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 305, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 6286, Chapter 2, Title 112, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, so as to change the provision of said article relating to the subject of change of general offices, machine shops, roundhouses, so as to include terminals.

S. B. No. 359, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 7005, Title 121, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, so as to exempt Matagorda county from the provisions of Chapter 7 of Title 121 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and from all laws regulating the inspection of hides and animals, and

declaring an emergency.

S. B. No. 397, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 1970-122, Chapter 5, Title 41, Revised Statutes of Texas, 1925, by increasing the compensation of the judge of the county court of Jefferson county at law from thirty-six hundred (\$3600) dollars to forty-five hundred (\$4500) dollars per annum; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 288, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 17 of the Revised Civil Statutes for 1925 so as to provide that district judges and district attorneys shall enter upon and assume the duties of their respective lowing the first general election or as soon as possible thereafter, and declar-

ing an emergency."

S. B. No. 449, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend subdivision 78 of Article 199 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, Section 1, Chapter 99, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
MORRIS C. HANKINS,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE BILL NO. 65 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to

third reading,

S. B. No. 65, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3887 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating to the fees of the county attorney in any county having a population in excess of 100,000 inhabitants where there is no district attorney, so as to include any county having less than 100,000 inhabitants, but containing a city with a population in excess of 44,000 inhabitants where there is no district attorney; providing a maximum compensation payable to him out of the fees collected by such county attorney, authorizing reimbursement out of fees collected for certain expenses and authorizing the employment by such county attorney of assistants, investigators and stenographers, fixing their salaries and providing a method of payment thereof, and providing that such county attorney may collect fees for services rendered in corporation courts and specifying such fees, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Kenyon offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend the caption of Senate bill No. 65 as follows: By adding in line 13, after the word "inhabitants," the following: "according to the United States States Census of 1920."

(2)

Amend Senate bill No. 65 as follows:
By adding in line 30, after the word
"inhabitants," the following: "according to the United States Census of
1920."

The amendments were severally adopted.

Senate bill No. 65 was then passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 65 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Kenyon moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that Senate bill No. 65 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the follow-

ing vote:

Justiss.

Keeton.

Kemble.

Keller.

Yeas-108.

Mr. Speaker. Kennedy. Ackerman. Kenyon. Adkins. King. Kinnear. Albritton. Land. Avis. Baker. Lee. Baldwin. Long of Houston. Barnett. Loy. Mankin. Bateman. Beck. Martin. Bounds. Mauritz. Bradley. Maynard. McCombs. Brice. Brooks. McDonald. McGill. Carpenter. Coltrin. McKean. Cox of Navarro. Mehl. Cox of Limestone. Metcalfe. Davis. Montgomery. DeWolfe. Moore. Dunlap. Morse. Mosely. Enderby. Eickenroht. Murphy. Finlay. Negley. Forbes. Nicholson. Fuchs. Olsen. Gerron. O'Neill. Gilbert. Palmer. Patterson. Giles. Pavlica. Graves Pope of Jones. of Williamson. Pope of Nueces. Graves of Erath. Purl. Hardy. Harding. Ray Reader. Harper. Harrison. Reid. Hines. Renfro. Hogg. Richardson. Holder. Rogers. Hopkins. Rountree. Sanders. Hubbard. Savage. Johnson of Dimmit. Shaver. Johnson of Scurry. Shipman. Simmons. Jones.

> Sinks. Smith.

Speck.

Snelgrove.

Stephens. Warwick.
Strong. Webb.
Tarwater. Westbrook.
Turner. White.
Van Zandt. Wiggs.
Veatch. Young.
Waddell.

Nays—3.

Jenkins. Sherrill. Woodruff.

Absent.

Long of Wichita. Mullally. Anderson. Chastain. Conway. Pool. Quinn. Duvall. Shelton. Ewing. Gates. Storey. Harman. Thompson. Thurmond. Heaton. Hefley. Hornaday. Tillotson. Williams of Travis. Kayton. Woodall. Kincaid. Lemens.

Absent—Excused.

Acker. Stevenson.
Bond. Wallace.
Cox of Lamar. Walters.
Finn. Williams
Johnson of Smith.
Minor. Williams
Petsch. Williams
of Hardin.
Prendergast.

The Speaker then laid Senate bill No. 65 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas-105.

Mr. Speaker. Finlay. Forbes. Adkins. Albritton. Fuchs. Avis. Gates. Gerron. Baker. Gilbert. Baldwin. Giles. Barnett. Bateman. Graves Beck. of Williamson. Graves of Erath. Bounds. Hardy. Bradley. Brooks. Harding. Harman. Carpenter. Chastain. Harper. Coltrin. Harrison. Cox of Navarro. Cox of Lamar. Hines. Hogg. Hopkins. Davis. DeWolfe. Johnson Dunlap. of Dimmit. Johnson of Scurry. Enderby. Eickenroht. Jones.

Justiss. Purl. Kemble. Ray. Reader. Kennedy. Reid. Kenyon. Kinnear. Renfro. Richardson. Land. Lee. Rogers. Lemens. Rountree. Long of Houston. Sanders. Loy. Savage. Mankin. Shipman. Martin. Simmons. Maynard. Sinks. McCombs. Smith. McDonald. Snelgrove. McGill. Speck. Strong. McKean. Mehl. Tarwater. Metcalfe. Tillotson. Montgomery. Turner. Van Zandt. Moore. Morse. Veatch. Waddell. Mullally. Negley. Wallace. Olsen. Warwick. O'Neill. Webb. Palmer. Westbrook. Patterson. White. Woodruff. Pavlica. Williams Pool. of Travis. Pope of Jones. Pope of Nueces. Young.

Nays-2.

Jenkins.

Sherrill.

Present-Not Voting.

Brice.

Wiggs.

Absent.

Ackerman. King. Long of Wichita. Anderson. Mauritz. Conway. Duvall. Mosely. Murphy. Ewing. Heaton. Nicholson. Hefley. Quinn. Shaver. Holder. Shelton. Hornaday. Stephens. Hubbard. Storey. Kayton. Keeton. Thompson. Thurmond. Keller. Woodall. Kincaid.

Absent-Excused.

Acker. Prendergast.
Bond. Stevenson.
Cox of Limestone. Walters.
Finn. Williams
Johnson of Smith.
Minor. Petsch. Williams
of Hardin.

SENATE BILL NO. 98 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 98, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require all persons who teach in the public schools to be American citizens."

The bill was read second time. On motion of Mr. Cox of Navarro, further consideration of the bill was

postponed until next Wednesday.

SENATE BILL NO. 105 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 105, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4552 of Chapter 10, Title 71, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and

was passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 105 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Kincaid moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that Senate bill No. 105 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas--96.

 Mr. Speaker. Harman. Ackerman. Harper. Albritton. Harrison. Anderson. Hines. Avis. Hogg. Baker. Holder. Baldwin. Hubbard. Barnett. Johnson of Dimmit. Bateman. Bounds. Johnson of Scurry. Brice. Justiss. Brooks. Keeton. Carpenter. Keller. Kennedy. Coltrin. Conway Kenyon. Cox of Navarro. Kincaid. Davis. Kinnear. Enderby. Land. Forbes. Long of Houston. Fuchs. Loy. Gerron. Mankin. Gilbert. Martin. Giles. Mauritz. Hardy. Maynard. Harding. McDonald.

McGill. Sanders. McKean. Savage. Mehl. Shaver. Montgomery. Shelton. Moore. Sherrill. Morse. Shipman. Mosely Simmons. Mullally. Sinks. Murphy. Smith. Negley. Snelgrove. Nicholson. Speck. Olsen. Strong. Tarwater. Palmer. Tillotson. Patterson. Pavlica. Van Zandt. Pool. ${f Veatch}.$ Pope of Nueces. Waddell. Purl. Warwick. Ray. Westbrook. Reader. White. Reid. Wiggs. Renfro. Woodall. Richardson. Woodruff. Rogers.

Nays-5.

DeWolfe. Finlay. Gates. Heaton. Lee.

Present-Not Voting.

Jenkins. Jones. O'Neill. Stephens.

Absent.

Adkins. King. Beck. Lemens. Long of Wichita. McCombs. Bradley. Chastain. Cox of Lamar. Metcalfe. Pope of Jones. Dunlap. Duvall. Quinn. Ewing. Rountree. Eickenroht. Stevenson. Storey. Graves of Williamson. Thompson. Graves of Erath. Thurmond. Hefley. Turner. Hopkins. Webb. Hornaday. Williams of Travis. Kayton. Kemble. Young.

Absent-Excused.

Acker. Prendergast. Wallace. Walters. Finn. Williams Johnson of Smith. Minor. Petsch. Wrendergast. Wallace. Williams of Sabine. Williams of Hardin.

The Speaker then laid Senate bill No. 105 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time. Question—Shall the bill be passed?

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Bateman, the House, at 12 o'clock m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Speaker.

COMMUNICATION FROM STATE HIGHWAY ENGINEER.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert, the following communication was ordered printed in the Journal:

The State of Texas.

State Highway Department.

Austin, Texas, February 7, 1929.

Hon. Victor Gilbert and Members of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, care House of Representatives.

Gentlemen: It is my understanding that Mr. A. G. Scott of Robertson county made an attack on the Highway Department before your committee with reference to a road north and south of Franklin, Texas.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter of June 27, 1928, written to the county judge of Robertson county, with a copy to Mr. Scott, this letter being written after a conference in my office with Mr. Scott and other citizens from Franklin, Texas.

The road referred to has never been a part of the approved Federal system and is not a State highway, the obligation being that of the county to maintain it. The work which we did as maintenance was done to satisfy our agreement with the Federal bureau of public roads. We have asked that relief be given us on this and do not expect to do any more work on this route.

I am taking the liberty of giving you these facts as I am not informed exactly as to Mr. Scott's statements.

Yours very truly, GIBB GILCHRIST, State Highway Engineer.

Job 198-B. Robertson County.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills, received from the Senate today, were laid before the House, read severally first time and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 57, to the Committee adopted, a on Municipal and Private Corporations. reconsider.

Senate bill No. 147, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 289, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 199, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

Senate bill No. 251, to the Committee on Agriculture.

Senate bill No. 294, to the Committee on Insurance.

Senate bill No. 298, to the Committee on Insurance.

Senate bill No. 305, to the Committee on Common Carriers.

Senate bill No. 359, to the Committee on Live Stock and Stock Raising.

Senate bill No. 397, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

Senate bill No. 288, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 449, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

Senate bill No. 294, to the Committee on Insurance.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES, SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following report:

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections, do hereby report to you the following order passed by said committee, to-wit:

Whereas, The House adopted the following motion in the case of Smith vs. Montgomery, contest pending before this committee, to-wit: "I move that the Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections be instructed to dismiss all proceedings in the contest of Smith vs. Montgomery, now pending, and declare Montgomery elected upon the returns from Hidalgo county"; now, therefore, it is

Ordered by the committee, in obedience to said mandate from the House, that the contest of Smith vs. Montgomery, pending before said committee, be and the same is hereby dismissed, and that said Montgomery be declared elected upon the returns from Hidalgo county.

SINKS, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Pope of Nueces, the report was adopted.

Mr. Pope of Nucces moved to reconsider the vote by which the report was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed. (Mr. Hopkins in the chair.)

SENATE BILL NO. 150 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 150, A bill to be entitled "An Act to confirm and validate all patents and awards issued upon lands lying across or partly across or abutting on water courses or navigable streams or the beds or abandoned beds thereof, or parts thereof, and to relinquish, quitclaim and grant to patentees and awardees and their assigns all of such lands and minerals therein contained across or abutting on water courses or navigable streams, and also the beds or abandoned beds thereof, and minerals therein contained, where such patents or awards have been issued and outstanding for a period of five years from the date thereof and have not been cancelled or forfeited, without impairing the rights of the general public, the State, riparian owners or appropriation owners in the waters of such streams. and providing that with respect to the lands sold by the State of Texas expressly reserving title to minerals in the State, such reservation shall not be affected by this act and that the patentees or awardees and their assigns shall have the same rights, title and interest in the minerals in the beds or abandoned beds of such water courses or navigable streams that they have in the uplands covered by the same patents; and de-claring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

(Speaker in the chair.)

Mr. Purl made the following motion: "I move that the House of Representatives of the Forty-first Legislature request the Speaker to ask the Attorney General for an opinion as to what effect the passage of Senate bill No. 150 will have on pending litigation, and as to the constitutionality of Senate bill No. 150 itself."

Mr. Young raised a point of order on further consideration of the motion at this time, on the ground that the motion would violate certain rules of the House.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

Mr. Purl made the following motion: "I move that consideration of Senate bill No. 150 be postponed until Wednesday, February 13, at 2 o'clock p. m."

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion was lost by the following

Yeas-31.

Adkins. Baldwin. Bounds. Brooks. Davis. Ewing. Eickenroht. Gerron. Giles. Heaton. Hines. Kennedy Long of Houston. Martin. Mehl.

Negley. O'Neill. Palmer. Patterson. Purl. Quinn. Richardson. Smith. Snelgrove. Strong. Turner. Van Zandt. Westbrook. Woodall, Woodruff.

Nays-88.

Ackerman. Albritton. Avis. Baker. Barnett. Bateman. Beck. Bradley. Brice. Chastain. Coltrin. Conway. DeWolfe. Dunlap. Duvall. Enderby. Finlay. Forbes. Fuchs. Gates. Gilbert. Graves

Murphy.

Hardy. Harding. Harman. Harper. Harrison. Hefley. Hogg. Hopkins. Hubbard. Jenkins. Johnson Jones. Justiss.

of Williamson. Graves of Erath. of Dimmit. Johnson of Scurry. Keller. Kemble. Kenyon. Kincaid. King. Kinnear.

Land. Lee. Lemens. Long of Wichita. Mankin. Mauritz. Maynard. McCombs. McGill. McKean. Metcalfe. Montgomery. Moore. Morse. Mosely. Mullally. Nicholson. Olsen. Pavlica. Pool. Pope of Jones. Pope of Nueces. Ray. Renfro.

Rountree. Sanders. Savage. Shaver. Shelton. Sherrill. Shipman. Simmons. Sinks. Stephens. Storey. Tarwater. Thurmond. Tillotson. ${f Veatch.}$ Warwick. Webb. White. Wiggs.

Young.

Rogers.

Absent.

McDonald. Anderson. Reader. Carpenter. Cox of Navarro. Reid. Cox of Lamar. Speck. Holder. Stevenson. Hornaday. Thompson. Kayton. Waddell. Keeton. Williams of Travis. Loy.

Absent-Excused.

Acker. Prendergast.
Bond. Wallace.
Cox of Limestone. Walters.
Finn. Williams
Johnson of Smith. Minor.
Petsch. Williams
of Sabine.
Williams
of Hardin.

Mr. Morse offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 150 by striking out the words "or abutting on" wherever they appear in the body or caption of the bill.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Woodall offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 150 by adding to the latter part of Section 2, after the word "award," the following, "provided that this act shall not in any way affect the State's title, right or interests in and to the sand and gravel lying within the bed of any navigable stream within this State, as defined by Article 5302, Revised Statutes of 1925."

Signed-Woodall, Van Zandt.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Quinn offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 150 by adding at the end of Section 2 the following as amended, "provided that nothing in this act shall affect the State's right to royalties now being received from river, bayou or lake beds within this State."

Mr. McCombs raised a point of order on further consideration of the amendment on the ground that it is not germane to the bill.

The Speaker overruled the point of order.

Mr. Pope of Nueces moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-103.

Ackerman. Avis.
Adkins. Baker.
Albritton. Baldwin.

Barnett. Mankin. Bateman. Martin. Beck. Mauritz. Maynard. McCombs. Bounds. Brice. McGill. Brooks. Carpenter. McKean. Chastain. Metcalfe. Coltrin. Moore. Conway Morse. Cox of Navarro. Mosely. Cox of Lamar. Nicholson. Davis. Olsen. DeWolfe. O'Neill. Duvall. Palmer. Enderby. Pavlica. Ewing. Pool. Eickenroht. Pope of Jones. Finlay. Pope of Nueces. Forbes. Reid. Fuchs. Renfro. Richardson. Gates. Graves Rogers. of Williamson. Rountree. Graves of Erath. Sanders. Hardy. Savage. Harding. Shaver. Harman. Shelton. Harper. Sherrill. Harrison. Shipman. Hefley. Simmons. Hines. Sinks. Hogg. Smith. Stephens. Hopkins. Johnson Storey. of Dimmit. Strong. Jenkins. Tarwater. Johnson of Scurry. Thurmond. Tillotson. Jones. Van Zandt. Justiss. Veatch. Kayton. Warwick. Keeton. Keller. Webb. Westbrook. Kenyon. Kincaid. White. Wiggs. Williams King. Kinnear. Land. of Travis. Lemens. Woodall.

Nays-11.

Young.

Gerron.
Giles.
Heaton.
Kennedy.
Long of Houston.
Murphy.
Negley.
Quinn.
Snelgrove.
Woodruff.

Long of Wichita.

Absent.

Anderson. Hornaday.
Bond. Hubbard.
Bradley. Kemble.
Dunlap. Lee.
Gilbert. Loy.
Holder. McDonald.

Minor. Reader.
Montgomery. Speck.
Mullally. Stevenson.
Patterson. Thompson.
Petsch. Turner.
Purl. Waddell.
Ray.

Absent—Excused.

Acker. Walters.
Cox of Limestone. Williams
Finn. of Sabine.
Johnson of Smith. Williams
Prendergast. of Hardin.
Wallace.

Mr. Woodruff offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 150 by striking out the words "lying across or partly across" wherever they appear conjointly, and by striking out the words "lying across" wherever they appear conjointly, and by striking out the words "or partly across" wherever they appear conjointly in said bill.

On motion of Mr. Pope of Nueces, the

amendment was tabled.

Mr. Woodall offered the following

amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 150 by striking out the words "or navigable" wherever these words appear in the bill, and adding in lieu thereof the words "except navigable."

Signed-Woodall, Van Zandt.

Mr. Sherrill moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-80.

Ackerman. Harding. Harper. Albritton. Harrison. Avis. Baker. Hefley. Beck. Hogg. Bounds. Jenkins. Bradley. Johnson Brice. of Dimmit. Johnson of Scurry. Chastain. Coltrin. Jones. Conway. Cox of Navarro. Justiss. Kayton. DeWolfe. Keeton. Dunlap. Keller. Duvall. Kemble. Enderby. Kenyon. Finlay. Kincaid. Forbes. King. Gates. Land. Gilbert. Lee. Graves of Erath. Lemens. Hardy. Long of Wichita.

Loy. Renfro. Mankin. Rountree. Maynard. Savage. McCombs. Shelton. McDonald. Sherrill. McGill. Shipman. Mehl. Sinks. Metcalfe. Stephens. Montgomery. Stevenson. Moore. Storev. Mullally. Tarwater. Nicholson. Thurmond. Olsen. Turner. Patterson. Veatch. Pavlica. Warwick. White. Pool. Pope of Jones. Wiggs. Pope of Nueces. Young. Reid.

Nays-30.

Anderson. Martin. Baldwin. Mosely. Murphy. Bond. Negley. O'Neill. Brooks. Carpenter. Cox of Lamar. Palmer. Davis. Ray. Richardson. Ewing. Fuchs. Sanders. Gerron. Snelgrove. Giles. Strong. Van Zandt. Heaton. Hines. Westbrook. Holder. Woodall. Kennedy. Woodruff.

Present-Not Voting.

Adkins.

Tillotson.

Absent.

Barnett. Petsch. Bateman. Purl. Eickenroht. Quinn. Graves Reader. of Williamson. Rogers. Harman. Shaver. Hopkins. Simmons. Hornaday. Smith. Hubbard. Speck. Kinnear. Thompson. Long of Houston. Waddell. Mauritz. Webb. McKean. Williams Minor. of Travis. Morse.

Absent-Excused.

Acker. Walters.
Cox of Limestone. Williams
Finn. of Sabine.
Johnson of Smith. Williams
Prendergast. of Hardin.
Wallace.

Mr. Petsch offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 150 by adding on page 2, between lines 24 and 25, the following, "provided that no person in this State shall be deprived of the right to fish and hunt in any of the beds of the navigable streams of this State, as such are now defined by law."

Mr. Pope of Nueces moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-96.

Ackerman. Long of Wichita. Adkins. Loy. Albritton. Mankin. Avis. Maynard. Baker. McCombs. Barnett. McDonald. McGill. Bateman. McKean. Bounds. Bradley. Mehl. Brice. Metcalfe. Carpenter. Montgomery. Chastain. Moore. Coltrin. Morse. Conway. Mosely. Cox of Navarro. Mullally. Cox of Lamar. Nicholson. Dunlap. Olsen. Duvall. Patterson. Enderby. Pavlica. Ewing. Pool. Pope of Jones. Pope of Nueces. Eickenroht. Forbes. Fuchs. Ray. Reid. Gates. Gilbert. Renfro. Graves Richardson. of Williamson. Rogers. Graves of Erath. Rountree. Hardy. Savage. Sherrill. Harman. Harper. Shipman. Harrison. Simmons. Hefley. Sinks. Hogg. Stephens. Hopkins. Stevenson. Hubbard. Storey. Jenkins. Strong. Tarwater. Johnson of Dimmit. Thurmond. Jones. Tillotson. Justiss. Van Zandt. Keeton. Veatch. Kemble. Warwick. Kenyon. Webb. Kincaid. White. Wiggs. Williams King. Kinnear. of Travis. Land. Lee. Young.

Lemens.

Nays-26.

Baldwin. Murphy. Bond. Negley. O'Neill. Brooks. Davis. Palmer. Finlay. Petsch. Gerron. Purl. Giles. Sanders. Heaton. Shaver. Hines. Snelgrove. Holder. Turner. Kennedy. Westbrook. Long of Houston. Woodall. Martin. Woodruff.

Present-Not Voting.

Johnson of Scurry.

Absent.

Anderson. Minor. Beck. Quinn. DeWolfe. Reader. Harding. Shelton. Hornaday. Smith. Kayton. Speck. Keller. Thompson. Mauritz. Waddell.

Absent—Excused.

Acker. Walters.
Cox of Limestone. Williams
Finn. of Sabine.
Johnson of Smith. Williams
Prendergast. of Hardin.
Wallace.

Mr. Sanders moved the previous question on the passage of the bill to third reading, and the main question was ordered.

Senate bill No. 150 was then passed to third reading by the following vote:

Yeas-100.

Ackerman. Duvall. Enderby. Adkins. Albritton. Finlay. Anderson. Forbes. Baker. Fuchs. Barnett. Gates. Bateman. Gilbert. Bradley. Graves Brice. of Williamson. Brooks. Graves of Erath. Carpenter. Hardy. Chastain. Harman. Coltrin. Harper. Harrison. Conway. Cox of Navarro. Cox of Lamar. Hefley. Hines. DeWolfe. Hogg. Dunlap. Hopkins.

Jenkins.	Nicholson,	
Johnson	Olsen.	
of Dimmit.	Patterson.	
Johnson of Scurry.		
Jones.	Pool.	
Justiss.	Pope of Jones.	
Kayton.	Pope of Nueces.	
Keeton.	Ray.	
Keller.	Reid.	
Kemble.	Renfro.	
Kennedy.	Rogers.	
Kenyon.	Rountree.	
Kincaid.	Sanders.	
King.	Savage.	
Kinnear.	Shaver.	
Land.	Sherrill.	
Lee.	Shipman.	
Lemens.	Simmons.	
Long of Wichita.	Sinks.	
Loy.	Stephens.	
Mankin.	Stevenson.	
Maynard.	Storey.	
McCombs.	Tarwater.	
McDonald.	Thurmond.	
McGill.	Tillotson.	
McKean.	Turner.	
Mehl.	Veatch.	
Metcalfe.	Warwick.	
Montgomery.	Webb.	
Moore.	Wiggs.	
Morse.	Williams	
Mosely.	of Travis.	
Mullally.	Young.	
Nova—92		

Nays—23.

Baldwin.	Negley.
Bond.	O'Neill.
Bounds.	Palmer.
Davis.	Petsch.
Ewing.	Purl.
Gerron.	Quinn.
Giles.	Snelgrove.
Heaton.	Van Zandt.
Holder.	Westbrook.
Long of Houston.	Woodall.
Martin.	Woodruff.
Murnhy	

Murphy.

Present-Not Voting.

Eickenroht.

Richardson.

Absent.

Avis.	Shelton.
Beck.	Smith.
Harding.	Speck.
Hornaday.	Strong.
Hubbard.	Thompson.
Mauritz.	Waddell.
Minor.	White.
Reader.	

Absent-Excused.

Acker. Johnson of St. Cox of Limestone. Prendergast. Wallace. Johnson of Smith.

Walters. Williams Williams of Hardin. of Sabine.

SENATE BILL NO. 150 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Young moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that Senate bill No. 150 be placed on its third reading and final passage. The motion prevailed by the follow-

ing vote:		
Yeas—101.		
Ackerman.	Long of Wichita.	
Albritton.	Mankin.	
Avis.	Maynard.	
Baker.	McCombs.	
Barnett.	McDonald.	
Bateman.	McGill.	
Bounds.	McKean.	
Brice.	Mehl.	
Brooks.	Metcalfe.	
Carpenter.	Montgomery.	
Chastain.	Moore.	
Coltrin.	Mosely.	
Conway.	Mullally.	
Cox of Navarro.	Nicholson.	
Cox of Navarro. Cox of Lamar.	Olsen.	
DeWolfe.	Palmer.	
Dunlap.	Patterson.	
Duvall.	Pavlica.	
Enderby.	Pool.	
Forbes.	Pope of Jones.	
Fuchs.	Pope of Jones. Pope of Nucces.	
Gilbert.	Purl.	
Graves	Ray.	
of Williamson.	Reader.	
Graves of Erath.	Reid.	
Hardy.	Renfro.	
Harman.	Richardson.	
Harper.	Rogers.	
Harrison.	Rountree.	
Hefley.	Sanders.	
Hines.	Savage.	
Hogg.	Shaver.	
Hopkins.	Sherrill.	
Hubbard.	Shipman.	
Jenkins.	Simmons.	
Johnson	Sinks.	
of Dimmit.	Speck.	
Johnson of Scurry.	Stephens.	
Jones.	Stevenson.	
Justiss.	Storey.	
Kayton.	Strong.	
Keeton.	Tarwater.	
Keller.	Thurmond.	

Tillotson.

Warwick. Webb. Wiggs.

Williams

Young.

of Travis.

Veatch.

Keeton. Keller. Kemble. Kenyon. Kincaid. King. Kinnear. Land. Lee. Lemens.

Long of Houston.

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	Nays—24.
Baldwin. Bond. Davis. Eickenroht. Finlay. Gerron. Giles. Heaton. Holder. Kennedy. Loy. Martin.	Murphy. Negley. O'Neill. Petsch. Quinn. Snelgrove. Turner. Van Zandt. Waddell. Westbrook. Woodall.
Preser	nt-Not Voting.
Ewing.	Gates. Absent.
Adkins. Anderson. Beck. Bradley. Harding.	Minor. Morse. Shelton. Smith. Thompson.

Absent—Excused.

White.

Walters. Acker. Cox of Limestone. Williams Finn. of Sabine. Johnson of Smith. Williams Prendergast. of Hardin. Wallace.

Hornaday.

Mauritz.

The Speaker then laid Senate bill No. 150 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Young moved the previous question on the final passage of the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Senate bill No. 150 was then finally passed by the following vote:

Yeas-103.

Ackerman. Enderby. Adkins. Finlay. Albritton. Forbes. Anderson. Fuchs. Baker. Gilbert. Graves of Erath. Barnett. Bateman. Hardy. Beck. Harman. Bradley. Harper. Brice. Harrison. Brooks. Hefley. Hogg. Carpenter. Coltrin. Hopkins. Conway. Cox of Navarro. Hubbard. Jenkins. Cox of Lamar. Johnson DeWolfe. of Dimmit. Dunlap. Johnson of Scurry. Duvall. Jones.

Justiss. Pool. Kayton. Pope of Jones. Keeton. Pope of Nueces. Keller. Reader. Kemble. Reid. Kennedy. Renfro. Kenyon. Rogers. Kincaid. Rountree. King. Sanders. Kinnear. Savage. Land. Shaver. Lee. Shelton. Lemens. Long of Wichita. Sherrill. Shipman. Loy. Simmons. Mankin. Sinks. Mauritz. Speck. Maynard. Stephens. McCombs. Stevenson. McDonald. Storey. McGill. Strong. McKean. Tarwater. Mehl. Thurmond. Metcalfe. Tillotson. Montgomery. Veatch. Moore. Warwick. Morse. Webb. Mosely. White. Mullally. Wiggs. Nicholson. Williams Olsen. of Travis. Patterson. Young. Pavlica.

Nays-25.

Baldwin. O'Neill. Bond. Palmer. Bounds. Purl. Davis. Quinn. Richardson. Ewing. Gerron. Smith. Giles. Snelgrove. Turner. Heaton. Van Zandt. Holder. Long of Houston. Westbrook. Woodall. Martin. Woodruff. Murphy.

Negley.

Present-Not Voting.

Hines.

Absent.

Hornaday. Avis. Chastain. Minor. Eickenroht. Petsch. Ray. Gates. Thompson. Graves of Williamson. Waddell. Harding.

Absent—Excused.

Johnson of Smith. Acker. Cox of Limestone. Prendergast. Wallace. Finn.

Walters. Williams of Sabine. Williams of Hardin.

Mr. Pope of Nueces moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Reasons for Vote.

I voted against Senate bill No. 150 because it is my judgment that this measure involves matters concerning which the Attorney General of the State of Texas, as a representative of the people in legal matters, is now in litigation over, and for the further reason that certain questions concerning the constitutionality of this act are involved. With these facts in mind, it is my deliberate judgment that consideration of this bill should be postponed until after an opinion had been rendered and further advice furnished this House by the Attorney General as to what effect the passage of this act would have on pending litigation, if there be pending litigation on this subject.

The House saw fit to vote against my motion to postpone until facts could be ascertained from the Attorney General, and not having the facts before me I consider it my duty to vote "no" on the

above numbered measure.

We voted against the engrossment and final passage of Senate bill No. 150 because we honestly feel that the relief sought to be given the deserving citizens of certain West Texas counties will not be accomplished by the measure. We believe they ought to be granted relief, but we differ as to the means of accomplishing such. We voted against the bill because we believe the law defining "navigable streams" and the constitutional provisions compelling State officials to make certain dispositions of their income from said "navigable streams" will act against the constitutionality of the bill herein acted upon.

We objected to the "rush" tactics adopted by some of the proponents of the measure in refusing the request to ascertain what effect said measure would have upon pending litigation.

GERRON. WOODALL. VAN ZANDT.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice

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thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled

S. B. No. 8, "An Act fixing the open season for hunting or killing black-tail deer in that part of the State west of the Pecos River; limiting and restricting the killing of such deer during said open season in said territory; prescribing the penalty for violating any provision of this act; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 106, "An Act to amend Article 1898 of Chapter 2, Title 49, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925; and de-claring an emergency."

S. B. No. 116, "An Act providing a means of serving civil process upon nonresidents of this State in any civil action or proceeding against such nonresidents growing out of any accident or collision in which said non-residents may be involved while operating a motor vehicle or motorcycle on any public highway or public street in this State; and declaring an emergency."
S. C. R. No. 20, Relating to land

acquisition.

S. B. No. 118, "An Act amending Article 4233, Chapter 10, Title 49, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, so as to provide for the removal of guardians without notice when notices or other process of court cannot be served upon them on account of their whereabouts being unknown; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 180, "An Act making it lawful to kill squirrels at any time in the counties of Travis, Williamson, San Saba, Llano, Lampasas and Burnet; and

declaring an emergency."
S. B. No. 124, "An Act amending Article 4142, Chapter 4, Title 69, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, relative to sureties upon guardians' bonds by adding thereto a provision authorizing the county judge to require corporate sureties on guardians' bonds in certain cases; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 119, "An Act amending Article 4143, Chapter 4, Title 69, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, by adding thereto a provision whereby the county judge may authorize the payment of bond premiums out of the estate of the ward; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 120, "An Act amending Ar-

ticle 4234, Chapter 10, Title 69, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, so as to provide for the removal of a guardian after being cited to answer, when he is proved to have been guilty of gross neglect or mismanagement in the perform. ance of any of his duties as guardian and when he becomes of unsound mind or an habitual drunkard, or is sentenced to imprisonment for a term of years, and when, if he be the guardian of the person, he cruelly treats the ward or neglects to educate and maintain the ward as liberally as the means of such ward and the circumstances of the case demand; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 121, "An Act amending Article 4148, Chapter 4, Title 69, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, by adding thereto a provision authorizing the county judge to decrease the amount of a guardian's bond whenever in his opinion a smaller bond than the one in effect would be adequate to protect the estate of the ward; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 278, "An Act providing for the creation of a county police force in all counties having 210,000 population or more, according to the last United States census, whose duty it shall be to patrol that part of the county lying outside of the corporate limits of the county seat, to better provide for the enforcement of the law in said counties by providing for additional enforcement officers; prescribing the manner of appointment of the members of such county police force, their duties and compensation; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 275, "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 50 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, approved March 9, 1925, validating the charters and amendments to charters of all cities of more than 5000 inhabitants in this State which have adopted charters or attempted to adopt or amend charters since the enactment of Chapter 147, General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirtythird Legislature of the State of Texas, 1913, and validating all proceedings had by city councils or city commissions or other governing authority of said cities in regard to the question of the adoption of charters or amendments thereto, and particularly ratifying and confirming all bonds issued thereunder; and declaring an emergency."

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, February 7, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following:

- S. B. No. 80, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2095, Chapter 7, Title 42, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, so such article shall provide for the compiling of jury cards for the jury wheel in counties of over 150,000 population, placing such compiling under the supervision of the district clerk and providing funds for the employment of typists for compiling and other expenses necessary."
- S. B. No. 99, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to courses of instruction in the Constitution of the United States in schools, colleges, universities and other educational institutions of the State of Texas."
- S. B. No. 170, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2741, Revised Statutes of 1925, relating to the duties of county school trustees with reference to the boundaries of school districts within their counties."
- S. B. No. 252, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an advisory judicial council for the continuous study, investigation and report upon the civil judicial system of the State, its administration, procedure and functioning; gathering of civil judicial statistics; devising of methods for the improvement of civil judicial administration and procedure; prescribing the personnel of such council; prescribing its powers and duties; providing for the payment of the actual expenses of the council and its members, including clerical assistance."

Has refused to pass to engrossment by a vote of 8 yeas, 16 nays and 6 pairs:

S. B. No. 100, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the Railroad Commission of Texas to require railroads to construct, maintain and operate their lines, plants, systems, equipments, apparatus, tracks and premises in such a manner as to promote and safeguard the health and safety of their employees."

Has refused to concur in the House amendment to Senate bill No. 238 and

requests the House for the appointment of a free conference committee to adjust the differences. The following are appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate: Pollard, Thomason, Miller, Patton and Moore.

Has concurred in House amendments to Senate bill No. 278 by a vote of 27 yeas, 0 nays; and Senate bill No. 119 by a vote of 28 yeas, 0 nays.

Has passed finally:

S. B. No. 81, A bill to be entitled "An Act protecting State banks and National banks and banking institutions doing business in this State in the payment of funds in a joint deposit to the survivor when the deposit is made by one of the depositors in form to be paid to either of them or the survivor; and providing regulations in reference to such deposits; and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
MORRIS C. HANKINS,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE BILL NO. 238.

Mr. Holder called up from the Speaker's table, for consideration at this time, the request of the Senate for a free conference committee on Senate bill No. 238.

The Speaker laid the request of the Senate before the House.

Question—Shall the request be granted?

Mr. Holder moved that the request be granted.

The motion prevailed.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following conference committee:

Messrs. Wallace, McGill, Murphy, Graves of Williamson and Woodall.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills, received from the Senate today, were laid before the House, read severally first time and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 80, to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 99, to the Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 81, to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Senate bill No. 170, to the Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 252, to the Judiciary Committee.

BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Dunlap, by unanimous consent, House bill No. 589 was ordered not printed.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Pope of Jones, the House, at 5:35 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees have today filed favorable reports on bills, as follows:

Criminal Jurisprudence: House bills Nos. 540, 471 and 571; Senate bill No. 222.

Public Health: House bills Nos. 170 and 426; Senate bill No. 285.

Appropriations: Senate bill No. 187; House bill No. 573.

Judiciary: Senate bill No. 154; House bills Nos. 440 and 524.

Highways and Motor Traffic: Senate bill No. 291; House bills Nos. 562, 439, 514, 443, 580, 340, 506, 383, 557, 335, 529, 7, 521 and 565; Senate bills Nos. 230, 310, 334 and 206.

Game and Fisheries: House bills Nos. 406 and 323.

Counties: House bills Nos. 442 and 574; Senate bill No. 61.

Privileges, Suffrage and Elections: House bills Nos. 464, 502 and 374; Senate bill No. 179.

The following committees have today filed adverse reports on bills, as follows:

Judiciary: House bills Nos. 34, 33, 27, 28 and 32.

Agriculture: House bill No. 537.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, February 7, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 458, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create La Feria water control and improvement district, Cameron county number three (3), in Cameron county, Texas; validating and approving all orders made by the commissioners court of said county in respect

to the original organization of said district as a water improvement district under Article 3, Section 52, of the Constitution; validating and approving all orders made by the board of directors of said district converting said district to a conservation and reclamation district under Section 59 of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas: validating all assessments of taxes, the authorization, issuance and sale of bonds thereof, and providing for their payment, and the issuance and sale of the bonds of said district, and providing for their payment by the annual levy, assessment and collection of general and ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in said district; approving and validating all orders of the commissioners court of said county and of the board of directors of said district, bonds and taxes or certified copies thereof, and constituting all such orders and their record legal evidence; providing that proof of publication of constitutional notice required in the enactment of this act has been duly made; enacting provisions incident and necessary to the subject and purpose of this act; and declaring an emergency.'

Has carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, February 6, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. J. R. No. 7, Proposing an amendment to Section 5 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, fixing the salary of the Governor; providing for its submission to the voters of the State of Texas as required by the Constitution, and make appropriation therefor.

Has carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, February 7, 1929.

Hon. W. S. Barron, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 10, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the creation of junior college districts; embracing the | Heaton. territory, fixing the assessed valuation, Hines. providing for the calling of an election, | Hogg.

the management and control of the junior college; number of trustees, how they should be elected, term of office; providing for the trustees to make affidavits before entering upon their duties, etc.'

Has carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

McCOMBS, Chairman.

TWENTY-THIRD DAY.

(Friday, February 8, 1929.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Barron.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker. Ackerman. Adkins. Albritton. Anderson. Avis. Baker. Baldwin. Barnett. Justiss. Bateman. Beck. Bond. Bounds. Bradley. Brice. Brooks. Carpenter. Chastain. Coltrin. Conway. Cox of Navarro. Cox of Lamar. Davis. DeWolfe. Dunlap. Duvall. Enderby. Ewing. Eickenroht. Finlay. Forbes. Fuchs.

Graves of Williamson. Graves of Erath. Hardy. Harding. Harman.

Harrison.

Gates.

Gerron.

Gilbert.

Giles.

Holder. Hopkins. Hubbard. Jenkins. Johnson

of Dimmit. Johnson of Scurry. Jones.

Kayton. Keeton. Keller. Kemble. Kennedy. Kenyon. Kincaid. King. Kinnear. Land. Lee.

Lemens. Long of Houston. Long of Wichita.

Loy. Mankin. Martin. Mauritz. Maynard. McCombs. McDonald. McGill. McKean. Mehl. Metcalfe. Minor. Moore.

Morse. Moselv. Mullally. Murphy. Negley. Nicholson. Olsen. O'Neill. Palmer.

Patterson.